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This is a Request for filing a \square continuation \boxtimes divisional . □ continuation-in-part application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) of pending prior Application No. 09/673,882 filed on January 5, 2001, the entire contents of which are hereby incorporated by reference, by

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for

LIGAND BINDING ASSAY AND KIT WITH A SEPARATION ZONE FOR DISTURBING ANALYTES

- Enclosed is an application consisting of specification, claims, declaration and drawings/photographs applicable).
- 2. 冈 The filing fee has been calculated as follows:



			LARGE ENTITY	SMALL ENTITY
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A check in the amount of \$750.00 to cover the filing fee and recording fee (if applicable) is enclosed. Please charge Deposit Account No. 02-2448 in the amount of \$0.00. A triplicate copy of this request enclosed. Enclosed is/are two (2) sheet(s) of formal drawings and/or photographs. A statement claiming small entity status was filed in .6a. prior Application No. 09/673,882 on ____. See the attached copy of the statement claiming small entity status. The current application qualifies for small entity 6b. П status. The prior application is assigned to Pharmacia & Upjohn Diagnostics AB. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed. Priority of Application No(s). ____ filed in ____ on ___ is/are claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119. See 9a. □ attached copy of the Letter claiming priority filed in the prior application on _____. Priority of International Appln. PCT/SE99/00722 filed on April 30, 1999 under the Patent Cooperation Treaty 9b. ⊠ and Swedish Application No. 9801563-9 filed in Sweden

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on April 30, 1998 under 35 U.S.C. § 120 and/or § 119 are hereby reclaimed.

- 10. \sqrt{\omega} An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO-1449 form(s) are attached hereto for the Examiner's consideration.
- 11. Address all future communications to:

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- 12. An extension of time for _____() month(s) until _____ has been submitted in parent Application No. 09/673,882 in order to establish co-pendency with the present application.
- 13. Also enclosed herewith is the following:

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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